# Georgia Department of Natural Resources

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February 25, 1997

Mr. C. M. Hobson Manager, Environmental Affairs Georgia Power Company 333 Piedmont Avenue Atlanta, Georgia 30308

RE: NPDES Permit No. GA0035564

Georgia Power Company, Plant Scherer

Dear Mr. Hobson:

Pursuant to the Georgia Water Quality Control Act, as amended; the Federal Clean Water Act, as amended; and the Rules and Regulations promulgated thereunder, we have issued the attached National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for the specified wastewater treatment facility.

Please be advised that on and after the effective date indicated in the attached NPDES permit, the permittee must comply with all the terms, conditions and limitations of the permit.

Sincerely,

Harold F. Reheis

Director

HFR:kh Attachment

cc: Mr. Douglas Mundrick (w/attachment)

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

cc: Mr. Howard Shelnutt

Georgia Power Company

PERMIT NO. GA0035564

# STATE OF GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

# AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE UNDER THE NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

In compliance with the provisions of the Georgia Water Quality Control Act (Georgia Laws 1964, p. 416, as amended), hereinafter called the "State Act;" the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S. C. 1251 et seq.), hereinafter called the "Federal Act;" and the Rules and Regulations promulgated pursuant to each of these Acts.

> Georgia Power Company 333 Piedmont Avenue Atlanta, Georgia 30308

is authorized to discharge from a facility located at

Plant Scherer 10986 Highway 87 Juliette, Monroe County, Georgia 31046

to receiving waters

Berry Creek, Lake Juliette (Rum Creek) and the Ocmulgee River

in accordance with effluent limitations, monitoring requirements and other conditions set forth in parts I, II and III hereof.

This permit shall become effective on February 25, 1997.

This permit and the authorization to discharge shall expire at midnight, January 31, 2002.

Signed this 25th day of February 1997.

Director,

**Environmental Protection Division** 

# EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

A.

- Final Plant Discharge: Combined During the period beginning effective date and lasting through January 31, 2002, the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 01 discharge of outfalls 01A, 01B, 01C, 01D, and 01E to the Ocmulgee Rive ...

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permitter as specified below:

0 4 0 0 0	e e llie II c s	Sample Location	ı	Final Discharge
Reguin	Tankan E.	Sample Type	Ţ.	Grab
Monitoring Requirements		Measurement Sample Sample Frequency Type Location	1	1/Day*
	ion Based	/l) Daily Max.	ï	ÿ
Discharge Limitations	Concentration Based	<pre>Daily Max. Daily Avg. Daily Max.</pre>	C	T
Discharge L	Based	Daily Max.	3	Ē.
	Mass	Daily Avg.	į	(TRC)
Effluent characteristic			Flow-m hay (MGD)	Total Residual Chlorine (TRC)

The pH shall not be less than 6.0 standard units nor greater than 9.0 standard units and shall be monitored once per month by a grab sample of the final discharge to the Ocmulgee River. There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.

\* Monitoring of TRC is required only during continuous service water chlorination for controlling asiatic clams.

the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 01A - Cooling Tower Blowdown for Units During the period beginning effective date and lasting through January 31, 2002, 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

Effluent Characteristic	Dischar	Discharge Limitations	suo	Monit	Monitoring Requirements	ent s
	Concen	Concentration Based	ed		marth bass 6	
		(mg/1)		Measurement	Sample	Sample
	Daily Max.	Avg.	Inst. Max.	Frequency		Location
Flow-m'Day (MGD)	<u>.</u> 1	U	Ē	2	Ť	ī
Free Available Chlorine (FAC)	-	0.2	0.5	1/Week	Multiple Grabs	Blowdown Line
Total Residual Chlorine (TRC)	-	0	1	1/Week	Multiple Grabs	Blowdown Line
TRC Time (minutes/day/unit)	120	1	Ĭ.	1/Week	Multiple Grabs	Blowdown Line
Total Residual Chlorine (TRC)		E	ī	1/Week	Multiple Grabs	Service Water
Total Chromium	0.2	1	ā	1/Year	Grab	Blowdown Line
Total Zinc	1.0	Ţ	Ē	1/Year	Grab	Blowdown Line

individual cooling tower blowdown combines with waste streams from other sources. Multiple grab samples are to be collected on 15 minute intervals during periods of FAC and TRC discharges attributable to cooling tower/condenser chlorination. Intervals are to be once per day during FAC and TRC discharges attributable to Samples are to be taken before each continuous service water chlorination.

attributable to cooling tower/condenser chlorination is limited to 2 hours/day/ individual cooling tower blowdown from each generating unit. The limitations All numerical discharge limitations and monitoring requirements apply to the condenser chlorination (i.e. effluent concentration of FAC above that due to of 0.2/0.5 mg/l of FAC apply to FAC discharge attributable to cooling tower/ unit. Simultaneous discharge of TRC attributable to cooling tower/condenser continuous service water system chlorination). Time of discharge of TRC chlorination is prohibited.

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- Ash Transport Bleedoff (includes During the period beginning effective date and lasting through January 31, 2002, the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 01B - Ash the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 03E Wastewater Basins Units 1, 2, 3 and 4, Low Volume Waste).

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

4	1110	Sample Location*	1	Bleedoff	Bleedoff
Rednireme	and the boar	Sample Type	F	Grab	Grab
Monitoring Regnirements		Measurement Frequency	ï	2/Month	2/Month
	on Based	.) Daily Max.	1	100	20
imitations	Based Concentration Based	(mg/1) Daily Avg. Daily Max.	Ĩ	30	15
Discharge L	Based	Daily Avg. Daily Max.	í	ı	j.
	Mass	Daily Avg.	j	TSS) -	1
Effluent Characteristic			Flow-m Day (MGD)	Total Suspended Solids (TSS) -	Oil and Grease (O & G)

Samples are to be taken at the ash transport bleedoff line prior to combination with any other wastewater stream.

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4 Cooling 3 and 01D - Units number(s) 01C and During the period beginning effective date and lasting through January 31, 2002, the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 01C and Tower Overflows/Basin Drains.

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

Effluent Characteristic	DIS	Discharge Limitations Units (Specify)	tions fv)		Monitoring	Monitoring Requirements	ents
	Avg.	(mg/l) Inst. Max.	Daily Avg.	Daily Max.	Measurement Frequency	Sample Type	Sample
Flow-m'Day (MGD)	1	ä	1	1	1	)	
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	t	1	3.0	100	2/Month	Grab	Overflore
Oil & Greast (O & G)	1	E	15	20	2/Month	der G	OLI TON
Free Available Chlorine (FAC)	0.2	0.5	1	1	1/Week Multiple Grabs	n le Grahe	Overflow
Total Residual Chlorine (TRC)	ı	1	ī	1	1/Week Multiple Grabs	Die Grabe	Over trow
TRC Time (minutes/day/unit)	1	į.	1	120	1/Week Multiple Grabs	inle Grahe	Over 110W
Total Chromium	- 1	1	1	0.2	1/Year	Grab	
Total Zinc	I.	t	ī	1.0	1/Year	Grab	Overflow

TRC, TRC Time, chromium, and zinc are required for cooling tower overflow discharges. FAC, are required for basin drain discharges. TSS and 0 & G

Samples are to be taken before each individual cooling tower overflow combines with waste streams from Intervals are to be once per day during FAC and TRC discharges periods of FAC and TRC discharges attributable to cooling tower/condenser Multiple grab samples are to be collected on 15 minute intervals during attributable to continuous service water chlorination. other sources. chlorination.

apply to FAC discharge attributable to cooling tower/condenser chlorination (i.e. effluent cooling tower overflow from each generating unit. The limitations of 0.2/0.5 mg/l of FAC Time of discharge of TRC attributable to cooling tower/condenser chlorination is limited 2 hours/day/unit. Simultaneous discharge of TRC attributable to cooling tower/condenser All numerical discharge limitations and monitoring requirements apply to the individual concentration of FAC above that due to continuous service water system chlorination). chlorination is prohibited

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02 - Detention Pond (I Pond) and Training Runoff and 02C, NPDES During the period beginning effective date and lasting through January 31, 2002, the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) I Pond Bottom Drain; Discharges to Berry Creek (includes 02B, Fire Emergency Overflow).

Basin 02A

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

Eff!uent Characteristic			Discharge	Discharge Limitations		Monitoring Requirements	g Regui	rements
		Mass	Based	Concentra	tion Based			
	Daily Avg.	Avg.	Daily Max	(mg/l) Daily Max. Daily Avg. Daily Max.	//l) Daily Max.	Measurement Frequency	Sample S Type I	Sample Location
Flow-m Day (MGD)	Ē		ı	ī	ï	ĺ	1	T
Total Residual Chlorine (TRC) 17	(TRC)		1	1	ji e	1/Day	Grab	Final Discharge
Selenium	ì		1	ţ	0.005	1/Month	Grab	Final Discharge

The pH shall not be less than 6.0 standard units nor greater than 9.0 standard units and shall be monitored once per month by a grab sample at the final discharge to Berry Creek or at the bottom drain when discharging.

There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.

- Monitoring of TRC is required only when continuous service water chlorination for controlling asiatic clams coincides with discharge from the NPDES Basin Emergency Overflow (02C) to I Pond. (1)
- Monitoring for selenium and pH is required only when the NPDES Basin Emergency Overflow (02C) is discharging to I pond. (2)

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Final discharge or bottom drain when discharging (3)

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to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 04 - Service Water Final Discharge 2002, During the period beginning effective date and lasting through January 31, the permittee is authorized to Lake Juliette.

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

Monitoring Reguirements		Measurement Sample Sample Frequency Type Location	î	1/Week Grab .	1/Week Grab Final Discharge
		Mea		1/W	1/W
	ion Based	Daily Max.	T	ī	ï
imitations	Based Concentration Based	Daily Avg. Daily Max.	3	15	1
Discharge L	Based	Daily Max.	Į.		Ĭ.
	Mass	Daily Avg.	I.	1	(TRC)
Elliuent Characteristic			Flow-mlay (MGD)	Temperature	Total Fesidual Chlorine (TRC)

There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.

The difference ("\_T") between the intake and discharge temperature shall be calculated and Temperature will be monitored and reported for the plant intake and the final discharge. entered on the monitoring report. Page 7 of 26 Permit No. GA0035564

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05 and 06 - Units 1 2002, During the period beginning effective date and lasting through January 31, the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) Tower Overflows/Basin Drains to Lake Juliette.

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Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

		Units	Specify		Monitori	Monitoring Requirements	ients
	Avg.		(mg/l) Inst. Max. Daily Avg.	Daily Max.	Measurement Frequency	Sample Type	Sample Location
Flow-m Day (MGD)	1	1	1	ı	1		
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	Ī	ï	30	100	2/Month	ہے ا ا	L
011 & Grease (0 & G)	ŧÎ.	ř.	15	000	2/Month	Grap	Overflow
Free Available Chlorine (FAC)	0.2	0.5	1	2 1	1/Week Milt	Grab	Overflow
Total Residual Chlorine (TRC)		Ĭ	1	. !	1/Week Mult	Multiple Grabs	Overflow
TRC Time (minutes/day/unit)	Ē	Ĭ	1	120	1/Week Mult	iple Grabs	OVerflow
Total Chromium	Î	1	,	1 0		Mulliple Grabs	Overflow
Total 21nc	1	1	1	1.0		Grab	Overflow

solids or visible The pH shall not be less than 6.0 standard units nor greater than 9.0 standard units and shall be There shall be no discharge of floating monitored twice per month by grab sampling. other than trace amounts.

ZINC, chromium, TRC, TRC Time, FAC, TSS, 0 % G and pH are required for basin drain discharges. and pH are required for cooling tower overflow discharges.

Samples are to be taken before each individual of Multiple grab samples are to be collected on 15 minute intervals during periods Intervals are to be once per day during FAC and TRC discharges attributable to FAC and TRC discharges attributable to cooling tower/condenser chlorination. cooling tower overflow combines with waste streams from other sources. continuous service water chlorination.

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TRC

Simultaneous discharge of condenser chlorination (i.e. effluent concentration of FAC above that due to continuous service water system chlorination). Time of discharge of TRC attributable to cooling individual cooling tower overflow from each generating unit. The limitations All numerical discharge limitations and monitoring requirements apply to the of 0.2/0.5 mg/l of FAC apply to FAC discharge attributable to cooling tower/ attributable to cooling tower/condenser chlorination is prohibited. tower/condenser chlorination is limited to 2 hours/day/unit.

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- Settling Pond Emergency Overflow 31, 2002, 07 During the period beginning effective date and lasting through January serial number(s) the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) to Lake Juliette (Ash Transport Water).

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

Mass Based Concentration Based Measurement Sample (mg/l) Daily Avg. Daily Avg. Daily Max. Frequency* Type  30 100 2/Month Grab	Effluent Characteristic		Discharge	Limitations		Monitoring	Redulrem	enta
Measurement Sample   Max. Daily Avg. Daily Max. Frequency* Type   Solids (TSS)-				Concentra	tion Based			
Solids (TSS)		Daily Avg.	Daily Max.	(mg Daily Avg.	/1) Daily Max.	Measurement Frequency*		Sample Location
(TSS) 30 100 2/Month Grab (	Flow-m Day (MGD)	1	1	î	1	Ē	ī	j
- 15 20 2/Month Grab	Total Suspended Solids	(TSS)-	Ü	30	100	2/Month	Grab	Overflow
	011 and Grease (0 & G)	Ü	1	1.5	20	2/Month	Grab	Overflow

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9.0 standard units The pH shall not be less than 6.0 standard units nor greater than and shall be monitored twice per month by grab sampling.\* There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.

\* Monitoring for TSS, O&G, and pH is required only when an overflow is occurring.

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Water Pump Seal Water, 10 Service Water Screen Backwash, 12 Condensate/Filtered Water/Potable Water Tank Overflows discharging to Lake Julietre, and 11 River Intake Pump Seal Water and Backwash discharging to the the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 08 - Employee Car Wash, During the period beginning effective date and lasting through January 31, 2002, Ocmulgee River.

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Such discharges shall be limited as specified below:

There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.

not being met as the result of these discharges and so notifies the permittes in writing, the permittee shall take all reasonable steps to prevent the discharge from causing water quality standards to be exceeded in the These discharges shall remain as described above. If the Directal determines that water quality standards are recelving water.

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	discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 13 and 14 - Emergency Overflows to	1 and 2 Wastewater Basin and Units 3 and 4 Wastewater Basin.
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2002,	13 and	Units 3
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the permittee as specified below: discharges shall be limited and monitored by Such

Effluent Characteristic		Discharge	Limitations		Monitori	Monitoring Requirements	ements
	Mass		Based Concentration Based	on Based			
			/bw)	1)	Measurement	Sample	Sample
	Daily Avg.	Daily Max.	Daily Avg. Daily Max.	Daily Max.	Frequency*	Type	Location
Flow-m Day (MGD)	1	E	Ü	Ē	C	ł	â
. Total Suspended Solids (TSS)-	(TSS)-	1	30	100	2/Month	Grab	Overflow
Oil and Grease (O & G)	3	1	15	20	2/Month	Grab	Overflow
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9.0 standard units The pH shall not be less than 6.0 standard units nor greater than and shall be monitored twice per month by grab sampling.\* There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.

\* Monitoring for TSS, O&G, and pH is required only when an overflow is occurring.

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# B. SCHEDULE OF COMPLIANCE

1. The permittee shall achieve compliance with the effluent limitations specified for discharges in accordance with the following schedule:

Effluent limitations are effective upon issuance of this permit.

2. No later than 14 calendar days following a date identified in the above schedule of compliance, the permittee shall submit either a report of progress or, in the case of specific actions being required by identified dates, a written notice of compliance or noncompliance, any remedial actions taken, and the probability of meeting the next scheduled requirement.

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Note:

EPD as used herein means the Environmental Protection Division of the Department of Natural Resources.

# C. MONITORING AND REPORTING

Representative Sampling

Samples and measurements taken as required herein shall be representative of the volume and nature of the monitored discharge.

# Reporting

Monitoring results obtained during the previous three months shall be summarized for each month and reported on an Operation Monitoring Report (Form WQ 1.45). Forms other than Form WQ 1.45 may be used upon approval by EPD. These forms and any other required reports and information shall be completed, signed and certified by a principal executive officer or ranking elected official, or by a duly authorized representative of that person, and submitted to the Division, postmarked no later than the 21st day of the month following the reporting period. Signed copies of these and all other reports required herein shall be submitted to the following address:

Georgia Environmental Protection Division Industrial Wastewater Unit 4244 International Parkway Suite 110 Atlanta, Georgia 30354

All instances of noncompliance not reported under Part I. B. and C. and Part II. A. shall be reported at the time the operation monitoring report is submitted.

### Definitions

- a. The "daily average" discharge means the total discharge by weight during a calendar month divided by the number of days in the month that the production or commercial facility was operating. Where less than daily sampling is required by this permit, the daily average discharge shall be determined by the summation of all the measured daily discharges by weight divided by the number of days sampled during the calendar month when the measurements were made
- b. The "daily maximum" discharge means the total discharge by weight during any calendar day.

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- c. The "daily average" concentration means the arithmetic average of all the daily determinations of concentrations made during a calendar month. Daily determinations of concentration made using a composite sample shall be the concentration of the composite sample.
- d. The "daily maximum" concentration means the daily determination of concentration for any calendar day.
- e. For the purpose of this permit, a calendar day is defined as any consecutive 24-hour period.
- f. "Bypass" means the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility.
- g. "Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the treatment facilities which causes them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources which can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a bypass. Severe property damage does not mean economic loss caused by delays in production.

### 4. Test Procedures

Monitoring must be conducted according to test procedures approved pursuant to 40 CFR Part 136 unless other test procedures have been specified in this permit.

# 5. Recording of Results

For each measurement or sample taken pursuant to the requirements of this permit, the permittee shall record the following information:

- The exact place, date, and time of sampling or measurements, and the person(s) performing the sampling or the measurements;
- The dates the analyses were performed, and the person(s) who performed the analyses;
- The analytical techniques or methods used; and
- d. The results of all required analyses.

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# 6. Additional Monitoring by Permittee

If the permittee monitors any pollutant at the location(s) designated herein more frequently than required by this permit, using approved analytical methods as specified above, the results of such monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the values required in the Operation Monitoring Report Form (WQ 1.45). Such increased monitoring frequency shall also be indicated. The Division may require by written notification more frequent monitoring of other pollutants not required in this permit.

# Records Retention

The permittee shall retain records of all monitoring information, including all records of analyses performed, calibration and maintenance of instrumentation, copies of all reports required by this permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for this permit, for a period of at least three (3) years from the date of the sample, measurement, report or application. This period may be extended by request of the Division at any time.

### 8. Penalties

The Federal Clean Water Act and the Georgia Water Quality Control Act provide that any person who falsifies, tampers with, or knowingly renders inaccurate any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under this permit, makes any false statement, representation, or certification in any record or other document submitted or required to be maintained under this permit, including monitoring reports or reports of compliance or noncompliance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine or by imprisonment, or by both. The Federal Clean Water Act and the Georgia Water Quality Control Act also provide procedures for imposing civil penalties which may be levied for violations of the Act, any permit condition or limitation established pursuant to the Act, or negligently or intentionally failing or refusing to comply with any final or emergency order of the Director of the Division.

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## A. MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS

# 1. Change in Discharge

- a. Advance notice to the Division shall be given of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements. Any anticipated facility expansions, production increases, or process modifications must be reported by submission of a new NPDES permit application or, if such changes will not violate the effluent limitations specified in this permit, by notice to the Division of such changes. Following such notice, the permit may be modified to specify and limit any pollutants not previously limited.
- b. All existing manufacturing, commercial, mining, and silviculture dischargers shall notify the Division as soon as it is known or there is reason to believe that any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in the discharge, on a routine or frequent basis, of any toxic pollutant not limited in the permit, if that discharge will exceed (I) 100 μg/l, (ii) five times the maximum concentration reported for that pollutant in the permit application, or (iii) 200 μg/l for acrolein and acrylonitrile, 500 μg/l for 2,4 dinitrophenol and for 2-methyl-4-6-dinitrophenol, or 1 mg/l antimony.
- c. All existing manufacturing, commercial, mining, and silvicultural dischargers shall notify the Division as soon as it is known or there is reason to believe that any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in any discharge on a nonroutine or infrequent basis, of any toxic pollutant not limited in the permit, if that discharge will exceed (I) 500 µg/l, (ii) ten times the maximum concentration reported for that pollutant in the permit application, or (iii) 1 mg/l antimony.

### Noncompliance Notification

If, for any reason, the permittee does not comply with, or will be unable to comply with any effluent limitation specified in this permit, the permittee shall provide the Division with an oral report within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances followed by a written report within five (5) days of becoming aware of such condition. The written submission shall contain the following information:

A description of the discharge and cause of noncompliance; and

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b. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times; or, if not corrected, the anticipated time the noncompliance is expected to continue, and steps being taken to reduce, eliminate and prevent recurrence of the noncomplying discharge.

# 3. Facilities Operation

The permittee shall at all times maintain in good working order and operate as efficiently as possible all treatment or control facilities or systems installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance includes effective performance, adequate funding, adequate operator staffing and training, and adequate laboratory and process controls, including appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems only when necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit.

# Adverse Impact

The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge in violation of this permit which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment, including such accelerated or additional monitoring as necessary to determine the nature and impact of the noncomplying discharge.

# Bypassing

- a. If the permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, it shall submit prior notice to the Division at least 10 days (if possible) before the date of the bypass. The permittee shall submit notice of any unanticipated bypass with an oral report within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances followed by a written report within five (5) days of becoming aware of such condition. The written submission shall contain the following information:
  - 1. A description of the discharge and cause of noncompliance; and
  - The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times; or, if not corrected, the anticipated time the noncompliance is expected to continue, and steps being taken to reduce, eliminate and prevent recurrence of the noncomplying discharge.

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b. Any diversion or bypass of facilities covered by this permit is prohibited, except (I) where unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage; (ii) there were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime (this condition is not satisfied if the permittee could have installed adequate back-up equipment to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance); and (iii) the permittee submitted a notice as required above. The permittee shall operate the treatment works, including the treatment plant and total sewer system, to minimize discharge of the pollutants listed in Part I of this permit from combined sewer overflows or bypasses. Upon written notification by the Division, the permittee may be required to submit a plan and schedule for reducing bypasses, overflows, and infiltration in the system.

# 6. Sludge Disposal Requirements

Hazardous sludge shall be disposed of in accordance with the regulations and guidelines established by the Division pursuant to the Federal Clean Water Act (CWA) and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). For land application of nonhazardous sludge, the permittee shall comply with any applicable criteria outlined in the Division's "Guidelines for Land Application of Municipal Sludges." Prior to disposal of sludge by land application, the permittee shall submit a proposal to the Division for approval in accordance with applicable criteria in the Division's "Guidelines for Land Application of Municipal Sludges." Upon evaluation of the permittee's proposal, the Division may require that more stringent control of this activity is required. Upon written notification, the permittee shall submit to the Division for approval, a detailed plan of operation for land application of sludge. Upon approval, the plan will become a part of the NPDES permit. Disposal of nonhazardous sludge by other means, such as landfilling, must be approved by the Division.

# 7. Sludge Monitoring Requirements

The permittee shall develop and implement procedures to insure adequate year-round sludge disposal. The permittee shall monitor the volume and concentration of solids removed from the plant. Records shall be maintained which document the quantity of solids removed from the plant. The ultimate disposal of solids shall be reported monthly (in the unit of lbs/day) to the Division with the Operation Monitoring Report Forms required under Part I (C)(2) of this permit.

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### Power Failures

Upon the reduction, loss, or failure of the primary source of power to said water pollution control facilities, the permittee shall use an alternative source of power if available to reduce or otherwise control production and/or all discharges in order to maintain compliance with the effluent limitations and prohibitions of this permit.

If such alternative power source is not in existence, and no date for its implementation appears in Part I, the permittee shall halt, reduce or otherwise control production and/or all discharges from wastewater control facilities upon the reduction, loss, or failure of the primary source of power to said wastewater control facilities.

# B. RESPONSIBILITIES

# Right of Entry

The permittee shall allow the Director of the Division, the Regional Administrator of EPA, and/or their authorized representatives, agents, or employees, upon the presentation of credentials:

- To enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated activity or facility is located or conducted or where any records are required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit; and
- b. At reasonable times, to have access to and copy any records required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit; to inspect any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit; and to sample any substance or parameters in any location.

# 2. Transfer of Ownership or Control

A permit may be transferred to another person by a permittee if:

- The permittee notifies the Director in writing of the proposed transfer at least thirty (30) days in advance of the proposed transfer;
- b. A written agreement containing a specific date for transfer of permit responsibility and coverage between the current and new permittee (including acknowledgement that the existing permittee is liable for violations up to that date, and that the new permittee is liable for violations from that date on) is submitted to the Director at least thirty (30) days in advance of the proposed transfer; and

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c. The Director, within thirty (30) days, does not notify the current permittee and the new permittee of the Division's intent to modify, revoke and reissue, or terminate the permit and to require that a new application be filed rather than agreeing to the transfer of the permit.

# Availability of Reports

Except for data deemed to be confidential under O.C.G.A. § 12-5-26 or by the Regional Administrator of the EPA under the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40, Part 2, all reports prepared in accordance with the terms of this permit shall be available for public inspection at an office of the Division. Effluent data, permit applications, permittee's names and addresses, and permits shall not be considered confidential

### Permit Modification

After written notice and opportunity for a hearing, this permit may be modified, suspended, revoked or reissued in whole or in part during its term for cause including, but not limited to, the following:

- a. Violation of any conditions of this permit;
- Obtaining this permit by misrepresentation or failure to disclose fully all relevant facts;
- A change in any condition that requires either a temporary or permanent reduction or elimination of the permitted discharge; or
- d. To comply with any applicable effluent limitation issued pursuant to the order the United States District Court for the District of Columbia issued on June 8, 1976, in Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc. et.al. v. Russell E. Train, 8 ERC 2120(D.D.C. 1976), if the effluent limitation so issued:
  - (1) is different in conditions or more stringent than any effluent limitation in the permit; or
  - (2) controls any pollutant not limited in the permit.

# Toxic Pollutants

The permittee shall comply with effluent standards or prohibitions established pursuant to Section 307(a) of the Federal Clean Water Act for toxic pollutants, which are present in the discharge within the time provided in the regulations

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that establish these standards or prohibitions, even if the permit has not yet been modified to incorporate the requirement.

# 6. Civil and Criminal Liability

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to relieve the permittee from civil or criminal penalties for noncompliance.

### State Laws

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties established pursuant to any applicable State law or regulation under authority preserved by Section 510 of the Federal Clean Water Act.

# 8. Water Quality Standards

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the modification of any condition of this permit when it is determined that the effluent limitations specified herein fail to achieve the applicable State water quality standards.

# 9. Property Rights

The issuance of this permit does not convey any property rights in either real or personal property, or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to private property or any invasion of personal rights, nor any infringement of Federal, State or local laws or regulations.

# 10. Expiration of Permit

Permittee shall not discharge after the expiration date. In order to receive authorization to discharge beyond the expiration date, the permittee shall submit such information, forms, and fees as are required by the agency authorized to issue permits no later than 180 days prior to the expiration date.

# 11. Contested Hearings

Any person who is aggrieved or adversely affected by an action of the Director of the Division shall petition the Director for a hearing within thirty (30) days of notice of such action.

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# 12. Severability

The provisions of this permit are severable, and if any provision of this permit, or the application of any provision of this permit to any circumstance, is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of this permit, shall not be affected thereby.

# 13. Best Management Practices

The permittee will implement best management practices to control the discharge of hazardous and/or toxic materials from ancillary manufacturing activities. Such activities include, but are not limited to, materials storage areas, in-plant transfer, process and material handling areas; loading and unloading operations; plant site runoff; and sludge and waste disposal areas.

# Need to Halt or Reduce Activity Not a Defense

It shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit.

# 15. Duty to Provide Information

- a. The permittee shall furnish to the Director of the Division, within a reasonable time, any information which the Director may request to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking and reissuing, or terminating this permit or to determine compliance with this permit. The permittee shall also furnish upon request copies of records required to be kept by this permit.
- b. When the permittee becomes aware that it failed to submit any relevant facts in a permit application or submitted incorrect information in a permit application or any report to the Director, it shall promptly submit such facts and information.

# 16. Upset Provisions

Provisions of 40 CFR 122.41(n)(1)-(4), regarding "Upset" shall be applicable to any civil, criminal, or administrative proceeding brought to enforce this permit.

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# A. PREVIOUS PERMITS

1. All previous State water quality permits issued to this facility, whether for construction or operation, are hereby revoked by the issuance of this permit. This action is taken to assure compliance with the Georgia Water Quality Control Act, as amended, and the Federal Clean Water Act, as amended. Receipt of the permit constitutes notice of such action. The conditions, requirements, terms and provisions of this permit authorizing discharge under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System govern discharges from this facility.

# B. SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- There shall be no discharge of polychlorinated biphenyl compounds such as those commonly used for transformer fluid.
- 2. Any metal cleaning wastes generated will be contained for further treatment or disposal in a manner to permit compliance at time of discharge (O3I, Chemical Cleaning Wastes) with requirements listed below or disposed of in a manner approved by the Division. This applies to any preoperational chemical cleaning of metal process equipment also. The treatment and disposal procedures shall be discussed in the flow monitoring and characterization submittal.
- 3. The quantity of pollutants discharged (03I, Chemical Cleaning Wastes) in metal cleaning waste shall not exceed the quantity determined by multiplying the flow of metal cleaning wastes times the concentrations listed below. All effluent characteristics shall be monitored 2/week by grab sampling when a discharge is occurring.

Effluent Characteristic	Discharge	Limitation (mg/l)
	Daily Average	Daily Maximum
Total Suspended Solids Oil and Grease Copper Iron	30 15 1.0 1.0	100 20 1.0 1.0

4. Neither free available chlorine (FAC) nor total residual chlorine (TRC) may be discharged from any unit for more than two hours in any one day and not more than one unit in any plant may discharge free available or total residual chlorine at any one time unless the utility can demonstrate to the Director that the units in a particular location cannot operate at or below this level of chlorination. The permittee has demonstrated the need to continuously chlorinate the service water system to control asiatic clams. The present intent is to chlorinate the service water periodically from April through October, five days per month for 24 hours per day at an initial level of 1.0 mg/l FAC. Other months, longer durations, and lower FAC levels may be used. This chlorination practice will result occasionally in the discharge of FAC or TRC from each cooling tower simultaneously and for more than 2 hours per day. The permittee must reduce the chlorine discharge if possible and has performed a study to determine the minimum practicable chlorine levels, frequencies and duration of

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continuous chlorination for the service water system to adequately control asiatic clams.

- 5. In accordance with 40 CFR 423.11(k), the free available chlorine (FAC) average means the average over any individual chlorine release period of 2 hours per day per unit. The FAC maximum is the instantaneous maximum which may occur at any time. Further, the permittee will develop a system for monitoring and recording total time of FAC and TRC discharges. The results shall be reported in a suitably concise form.
- 6. In accordance with 40 CFR 423.13(d)(3), the permittee shall certify every two years in the flow characterization study that no priority pollutant other than chromium or zinc is above detectable limits in outfall 01A, 01C, 01D, 05 and 06 (cooling tower blowdowns or overflows). This certification may be based on manufacturers' certifications or engineering calculations.
- 7. In the event that waste streams for various sources are combined for treatment or discharge, the quantity of each pollutant or pollutant property controlled by this permit shall not exceed the specified limitations for that source.
- The Director may modify any effluent limitation upon request of the permittee if such limitation is covered by an approved variance or by an amendment to the Federal Clean Water Act.
- Once every two years, the permittee shall submit to the Director flow monitoring and characterization information regarding the various waste streams.
- 10. All sewage treatment plants (STP) must be properly operated and maintained. This applies to 03A No. 2 STP, 03B No. 4 STP, and 03C, No. 1 STP.
- 11. Summary of flow characterization study requirements from preceding pages.
  - Metal cleaning waste treatment and disposal procedures.
  - Flow determination of various waste streams.
  - Cooling tower blowdown priority pollutant certification per 40 CFR 423.13(d)(3).
- 12. The provisions of 40 CFR 122.41(6)(iii) regarding waiver of the 5 day written report required by Part II.A.2. and Part II.A.5 of this permit shall be applicable and may be implemented on a case-by-case basis by EPD for noncompliances which are orally reported by the permittee within 24 hours of discovery of the noncompliance condition.
- 13. The Division recognizes the inherent analytical variability in approved test methods and procedures and further agrees that such issues can be raised by the permittee as a defense in an enforcement action.

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- 14. Upon approval of the Director, the permittee shall, on a case-by-case basis, be able to utilize alternative analytical methods, conversion factors, methodology, procedures, or new technologies, to ensure that the biomonitoring and toxicity reduction requirements of Part III.C. and the testing/reporting requirements of the permit are adequately addressed.
- 15. If the results for a given sample are such that a parameter is not detected at or above the method detection limit or reporting limit, a value of zero will be reported for that sample and the method detection limit or reporting limit will also be reported. Such sample shall be deemed to be in compliance with the permit limit.
- 16. The best management practices plan for "Macrofouling and Biofouling Control" dated June 10, 1995 is incorporated in this permit. The plan may be modified upon written approval by the Division.
- 17. The permittee is authorized to discharge stormwater from the outfalls identified in Part I, Section A. of this permit provided that these discharges do not cause violations of State water quality standards in the receiving streams.

# C. BIOMONITORING AND TOXICITY REDUCTION REQUIREMENTS

In order to determine whether the permittee is discharging wastes in concentrations or combinations which may have an adverse impact on the State's water quality, the Division can require the permittee to conduct a biomonitoring program.

If toxicity is believed to be present in the permittee's effluent, the Division may require the permittee to develop a biomonitoring screening program according to the following schedule:

- Within 90 days of Division notification a screening program study plan detailing the test methodology and test organisms shall be submitted for conducting a forty-eight hour static acute test of the final effluent.
  - Note: If residual chlorine is present in the final effluent from a treatment and/or disinfection process, a prechlorinated or dechlorinated sample will be tested.
- Within 90 days of Division approval of the study plan, the permittee shall conduct and submit the results of the forty-eight hour static acute test.

The Division will then review the results of the forty-eight hour static acute test. If the test criteria specified in the study plan are exceeded, then the permittee shall within 90 days of written notification by the Division repeat steps 1. and 2. above replacing the forty-eight hour static acute test with the ninety-six hour test.

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The Division will then review the results of the ninety-six hour test. If the criteria\* detailed in the ninety-six hour test indicates toxicity, then the permittee shall within 90 days of written notification by the Division submit to the Division a plan to reduce the toxicity of the effluent. Within 270 days of Division approval of this plan, the permittee shall implement the plan and initiate follow-up biomonitoring of the effluent in accordance with the approved toxicity reduction plan. The toxicity reduction plan shall not be complete until the permittee meets the criteria detailed in the ninety-six hour test plan.

If there are substantial composition changes in the permittee's effluent, the permittee may be required to repeat the forty-eight hour static acute test upon notification by the Division. Unless otherwise advised, the permittee shall perform biomonitoring of the effluent as provided in C. 1. and 2. above, at a minimum of once every three years upon notification by the Division. On a case specific basis, chronic toxicity testing procedures may be required. Upon approval by the Division, all of the plans will become part of the requirements of this permit.

\*The 96 hour criteria shall define toxicity as a greater than 10% mortality of the exposed test organisms in 96 hours or less when the test solution contains volumes of effluent and dilution water proportional to the plant daily average flow and the 7Q10 flow of the receiving stream, as determined using test procedures and methods, and statistical methods for evaluating test results, developed by the permittee and approved by the Division pursuant to this section or revised pursuant to Part III. B. 14. above.

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# STATE OF GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

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# AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE UNDER THE NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

In compliance with the provisions of the Georgia Water Quality Control Act (Georgia Laws 1964, p. 416, as amended), hereinafter called the "State Act," the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), hereinafter called the "Federal Act," and the Rules and Regulations promulgated pursuant to each of these Acts,

GEORGIA POWER COMPANY P. O. Box 4545 Atlanta, Georgia 30302

is authorized to discharge from a facility located at

Scherer Steam Electric Generating Station Georgia Highway 23 Juliette, Monroe County, Georgia 31406

to receiving waters

Berry Creek, Rum Creek and the Ocmulgee River

in accordance with effluent limitations, monitoring requirements and other conditions set forth in Parts I, II, and III hereof.

This permit shall become effective on March 16, 1992.

This permit and the authorization to discharge shall expire at midnight, February 28, 1997

Signed this 16th day of March, 1992



Director,

**Environmental Protection Division** 

# EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS . A

the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 01 - Detention Pond (I Pond) During the period beginning effective date and lasting through February 28, 1997, and OlD - I Pond Bottom Drain; Discharges to Berry Creek. ŗ

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

Monitoring Requirements	Measurement Sample Sample Frequency <sup>(2)</sup> Type Location	1	ear Grab Final Discharge*	ear Grab Final Discharge*	3/Day <sup>(1)</sup> Grab Final Discharge*	1/Quarter Grab Final Discharge*	1/Quarter Grab Final Discharge*	1/Quarter Grab Final Discharge*	ear Grab Final Discharge*	rd units nor greater than 9.0 standard units a grab sample at the final discharge to Berry rging.  scharging.  scharging.  solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.  c clams.  11. B.
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- Monitoring and reporting of TRC is required only during continuous service water chlorination for controlling asiatic clams. (1)
- See Special Requirement 14., Part III. B. (2)

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the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 01E - Combined discharge of During the period beginning April 1, 1994 and lasting through February 28, 1997, outfalls 01A, 01B, 06 and 07 to the Ocmulgee River. 1.A.

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

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Monitoring Requirements	Sample Location	J	Final Outfall	Final Outfall	Final Outfall	Final Outfall	Final Outfall	Final Outfall	Final Outfall
	Sample Type	ï	Grab	Grab	Grab	Grab	Grab	Grab	Grab
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The pH shall not be less than 6.0 standard units nor greater than 9.0 standard units and shall be monitored once per month by grab sample at the final discharge to the Ocmulgee River. There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.

Monitoring and reporting of TRC is required only during continuous service water chlorination for controlling asiatic clams. (1)

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the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 01A - Cooling Tower Blowdown During the period beginning effective date and lasting through February 28, 1997 for Units 1, 2, 3 and 4. 2.

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Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

	uc	Blowdown Line	Blowdown Line	Blowdown Line	Service Water	Blowdown Line	Blowdown Line
ments	Sample Location	Blowdor	Blowdor	Blowdor	Service	Blowdor	Blowdor
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Monitoring Requirements	t Sample Type	Multiple Grabs	Multiple Grabs	Multiple Grabs	Multiple Grabs	Grab	Grab
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Multiple grab samples are to be collected on 15 minute intervals during periods Intervals are to be 3/day during FAC and TRC discharges attributable to continuous service water chlorination. Samples are to be taken before each individual cooling of FAC and TRC discharges attributable to cooling tower/condenser chlorination. tower blowdown combines with waste streams from other sources.

cooling cooling tower/condenser chlorination (i.e. effluent concentration of FAC above that due The limitations 5., and to Time of discharge of All numerical discharge limitations and monitoring requirements apply to tower/condenser chlorination is prohibited. Also, see Part III, B.4., of FAC apply to FAC discharge attributable to to cooling tower/condenser chlorination is limited of TRC attributable individual cooling tower blowdown from each generating unit. to continuous service water system chlorination). discharge Simultaneous 6., beginning on Page 25. mg/1 hours/day/unit. attributable

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the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 01B - Ash Transport Water During the period beginning effective date and lasting through February 28, 1997, (includes 02H Wastewater Basin Low Volume Waste). 3.

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

		Sample Location(1)		Bleedoff	Bleedoff		
Requirements		Sample Type	ı	Grab	Grab		
Monitoring Requirements	7.0	Measurement Sample Frequency Type	ı	2/Month	2/Month		
Discharge Limitations kg/day(lbs/day) Other Units(Specify) (mg/l)	kg/day(lbs/day) Other Units(Specify) (mg/1)	Daily Max.		100	20		
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Effluent Characteristic			Flow-m <sup>3</sup> Day (MGD)	Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	Oil and Grease (0 & G)		

Samples are to be taken at the ash transport bleedoff line prior to combination with any other wastewater stream. (1)

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Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

Monitoring Requirements	Sample	Location	ì	Overflow	Overflow	
	Sample	Type (	1	Grab	Grab	
	Measurement Sample	Frequency(1) Type	i	2/Month	2/Month	
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The pH shall not be less than 6.0 standard units, nor greater than 9.0 standard units and shall be monitored 2/month by grab sampling. (1)

There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.

(1) Monitoring for TSS, Oil and Grease, and pH is required only when an overflow is occurring.

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Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

Effluent Characteristic		Ö	scharge L	Discharge Limitations			Monitoring Requirements	ements
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Oil and Grease (0 & G)			,	15	20	2/Month	Grab	Overflow
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The pH shall not be less than 6.0 standard units nor greater than 9.0 standard units and shall be monitored 2/month by grab sampling.(1)

There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.

(1) Monitoring for TSS, Oil and Grease, and pH is required only when an overflow is occurring.

the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 02L - Units 3 and 4 wastewater During the period beginning effective date and lasting through February 28, 1997, Basin Emergency Overflow to Lake Juliette (Low Volume Wastes). 9

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

	Sample Location		Overflow	Overflow
equirements	Sample Type	1	Grab	Grab
Monitoring Requirements	Measurement Sample Frequency <sup>(1)</sup> Type	ï	2/Month	2/Month
(Specify)	Daily Max.	ſ	100	20
Monitored Limitations kg/day (1bs/day) Other Units (Specify)	(mg/1) Daily Max. Daily Avg. Daily Max.	ī	30	15
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	Daily Avg.	ī	ī	Ĭ
Effluent Characteristic		Flow-m <sup>3</sup> Day (MGD)	Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	Oil and Grease (0 & G)

The pH shall not be less than 6.0 standard units nor greater than 9.0 standard units and shall be monitored 2/month by grab sampling. (1)

There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.

(1) Monitoring for TSS, Oil and Grease, and pH is required only when an overflow is occurring.

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

ements		Location	Ľ	(1)	Final Dis
Monitoring Requirements	Sample	Type	ī	Grab	Grab
	Sample	Frequency	L	1/Week	1/Week
	ts(Specify) Measurement Sample	Daily Max.	1	1	1
imitations	Other Uni	Daily Avg.	ì	1	a
Discharge L	(bs/day) Other Units(Specify) Measurement S	ily Avg. Daily Max. Daily Avg. Daily Max. Frequency	ı	ī	ı
	kg/day(lbs/day)	Daily Avg.	£	ŗ	(TRC) -
Fffluent Characteristic			Flow-m <sup>3</sup> Day (MCD)	Temperature	Total Residual Chlorine (TRC)

scharge

There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.

Temperature will be monitored and reported for the plant intake and the final discharge. The difference ("AI") between the intake and discharge temperature shall be calculated and entered on the monitoring report.  $\Xi$ 

the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 03 - Service Water During the period beginning effective date and lasting through February 28, 1997, Final Discharge to Lake Juliette.

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the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 04 and 05 During the period beginning effective date and lasting through February 28, 1997,

05 - Units 1 and 2

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

Cooling Tower Basin Overflows/Basin Cleaning Wastes to Lake Juliette.

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Location Overflow Overflow Over flow Overflow Overflow Overflow Over flow Sample Sample Multiple Grabs Multiple Grabs Type Grabs Grab Grab Grab Grab Multiple Monitoring Requirements Measurement 1/Quarter 1/Quarter Frequency 2/Month 1/Week 2/Month 1/Week 1/Week Daily Max. 100 20 120 0.2 1.0 Daily Avg. 15 Discharge Limitations Units (Specify) Inst.Max. (mg/1)Free Available Chlorine (FAC) Total Residual Chlorine (TRC) Total Suspended Solids (TSS) TRC Time (minutes/day/unit) Effluent Characteristic 0il & Grease (0 & G) Flow-m3Day (MGD) Total Chromium Total Zinc

The pH shall not be less than 6.0 standard units nor greater than 9.0 standard units There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts. shall be monitored 2/month by grab sampling. and

Stop log leakage is not reportable, but its flow and effluent characteristics should tower overflow discharges. TSS, O & G and pH are required for basin cleaning waste discharges. Time, chromium, zinc, and pH are required for cooling be discussed in the bi-annual flow characterization study.

FAC and TRC discharges attributable to cooling tower/condenser chlorination. Intervals are to be 3/day during FAC and TRC discharges attributable to continuous service water Multiple grab samples are to be collected on 15 minute intervals during periods of Samples are to be taken before each individual cooling tower overflow combines with waste streams from other sources. chlorination.

(i.e. effluent concentration of FAC above that due to continuous service water system of FAC apply to FAC discharge attributable to cooling tower/condenser chlorination Time of discharge of TRC attributable to cooling tower/condenser chlorination is limited to 2 hours/day/unit. Simultaneous discharge of TRC attributable The limitations of 0.2/0.5 mg/l All numerical discharge limitations and monitoring requirements apply to the individual to cooling tower/condenser chlorination is prohibited. cooling tower overflow from each generating unit. chlorination).

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Cooling Tower Basin Overflows/Basin Cleaning Wastes to Detention Pond (I Pond), or through Outfall OlE the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 06 and 07 - Units 3 and 4 During the period beginning effective date and lasting through February 28, 1997, to the Ocmulgee River. 9.

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Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

Monitoring Requirements	ent Sample Sample y Type Location		Grab Overflow	Ŭ	_	1/Week Multiple Grabs Overflow	Ŭ	r Grab Overflow	r Grab Overflow
Monitor	Measurement Frequency	Ĭ	2/Month	2/Month	1/Week	1/Week	1/Week	1/Quarter	1/Quarter
	Daily Max.	ı	100	20	9	1	120	0.2	1.0
mitations Specify)	(mg/l) Inst.Max. Daily Avg.	Ĩ	30	15	<b>31</b>	•	ă.	1	1
Discharge Limitations Units (Specify) (mg/1)		į	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	1
Π	Avg.	ij	1	•	() 0.2	-	2 <b>1</b> 2	: <b>i</b>	Ē
Effluent Characteristic		Flow-m <sup>3</sup> Day (MGD)	Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	0il & Grease (0 & G)	Free Available Chlorine (FAC)	Total Residual Chlorine (TRC)	TRC Time (minutes/day/unit)	Total Chromium	Total Zinc

TRC Time, chromium, zinc, and pH are required for cooling tower overflow discharges. TSS, O & G and pH are required for basin cleaning waste discharges.

Intervals are to be 3/day during FAC and TRC discharges attributable to continuous service water chlorination. Samples are to be taken before each individual cooling chlorination. Multiple grab samples are to be collected on 15 minute intervals during periods attributable to cooling tower/condenser tower overflow combines with waste streams from other sources. and TRC discharges

of FAC apply to FAC discharge attributable to cooling tower/condenser chlorination (i.e. effluent concentration of FAC above that due to continuous service water system chlorination). Time of discharge of TRC attributable to cooling tower/condenser chlorination is limited to 2 hours/day/unit. Simultaneous discharge of TRC attributable cooling tower overflow from each generating unit. The limitations of  $0.2/0.5~\mathrm{mg/l}$ All numerical discharge limitations and monitoring requirements apply to the individual to cooling tower/condenser chlorination is prohibited.

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the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) serial number(s) 08, 09A, 09B, 09C - Car wash, pump seal waters discharging to Lake Juliette and the Ocmulgee and intake screen backwash. February 28, 1997, Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below: and lasting through effective date During the period beginning 10.

ements		Sampl	Locat
fonitoring Requirements		Sample	Type
Monitori		Measurement	Frequency
	Concentration Based		Daily Max.
Discharge Limitations	Concentrat		Daily Avg.
	Based		aily Avg. Daily Max. Daily Avg. Daily Max.
	Mass		Daily Avg.
Effluent Characteristic	(Specify Units)		

Flow

Discharge from these outfalls shall not violate water quality standards in the receiving streams. Monitoring shall be performed when requested by the Division.

standard units The pH shall not be less than 6.0 standard units nor greater than 9.0 and shall be monitored when requested by the Division. There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.

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### B. SCHEDULE OF COMPLIANCE

 The permittee shall achieve compliance with the effluent limitations specified for discharges in accordance with the following schedule:

Effluent limitations and monitoring requirements are effective immediately upon issuance of this permit.

2. No later than 14 calendar days following a date identified in the above schedule of compliance, the permittee shall submit either a report of progress or, in the case of specific actions being required by identified dates, a written notice of compliance or noncompliance. In the latter case, the notice shall include the cause of noncompliance, any remedial actions taken, and the probability of meeting the next scheduled requirement.

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Note: EPD as used herein means the Environmental Protection Division of the Department of Natural Resources.

### C. MONITORING AND REPORTING

# 1. Representative Sampling

Samples and measurements taken as required herein shall be representative of the volume and nature of the monitored discharge.

### 2. Reporting

Monitoring results obtained during the previous 3 months shall be summarized for each month and reported on an Operation Monitoring Report (Form WQ 1.45). Forms other than Form WQ 1.45 may be used upon approval by EPD. These forms and any other required reports and information shall be completed, signed and certified by a principal executive officer or ranking elected official, or by a duly authorized representative of that person who has the authority to act for or on behalf of that person, and submitted to the Division, postmarked no later than the 21st day of the month following the reporting period. Signed copies of these and all other reports required herein shall be submitted to the following address:

Georgia Environmental Protection Division Industrial Wastewater Program 205 Butler Street, S.E., Floyd Towers East Suite 1070 Atlanta, Georgia 30334

All instances of noncompliance not reported under Part I. B. and C. and Part II. A shall be reported at the time the operation monitoring report is submitted.

### 3. Definitions

- a. The "daily average" discharge means the total discharge by weight during a calendar month divided by the number of days in the month that the production or commercial facility was operating. Where less than daily sampling is required by this permit, the daily average discharge shall be determined by the summation of all the measured daily discharges by weight divided by the number of days sampled during the calendar month when the measurements were made.
- b. The "daily maximum" discharge means the total discharge by weight during any calendar day.

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- c. The "daily average" concentration means the arithmetic average of all the daily determinations of concentration made during a calendar month. Daily determinations of concentration made using a composite sample shall be the concentration of the composite sample.
- d. The "daily maximum" concentration means the daily determination of concentration for any calendar day.
- e. For the purpose of this permit, a calendar day is defined as any consecutive 24-hour period.
- f. "Bypass" means the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility.
- g. "Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the treatment facilities which causes them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources which can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a bypass. Severe property damage does not mean economic loss caused by delays in production.

### 4. Test Procedures

Monitoring must be conducted according to test procedures approved pursuant to  $40\ \text{CFR}\ 136\ \text{unless}$  other test procedures have been specified in this permit.

# Recording of Results

For each measurement or sample taken pursuant to the requirements of this permit, the permittee shall record the following information:

- a. The exact place, date, and time of sampling or measurements, and the person(s) performing the sampling or the measurements;
- The dates the analyses were performed, and the person(s) who performed the analyses;
- c. The analytical techniques or methods used; and
- d. The results of all required analyses.

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# 6. Additional Monitoring by Permittee

If the permittee monitors any pollutant at the location(s) designated herein more frequently than required by this permit, using approved analytical methods as specified above, the results of such monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the values required in the Operation Monitoring Report Form (WQ 1.45). Such increased monitoring frequency shall also be indicated. The Division may require by written notification more frequent monitoring or the monitoring of other pollutants not required in this permit.

### 7. Records Retention

The permittee shall retain records of all monitoring information, including all records of analyses performed, calibration and maintenance of instrumentation, recordings from continuous monitoring instrumentation, copies of all reports required by this permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for this permit, for a period of at least three (3) years from the date of the sample, measurement, report or application. This period may be extended by request of the Division at any time.

### 8. Penalties

The Federal Clean Water Act and the Georgia Water Quality Control Act provide that any person who falsifies, tampers with, or knowingly renders inaccurate any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under this permit, makes any false statement, representation, or certification in any record or other document submitted or required to be maintained under this permit, including monitoring reports or reports of compliance or noncompliance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine or by imprisonment, or by both. The Federal Clean Water Act and the Georgia Water Quality Control Act also provide procedures for imposing civil penalties which may be levied for violations of the Act, any permit condition or limitation established pursuant to the Act, or negligently or intentionally failing or refusing to comply with any final or emergency order of the Director of the Division.

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### A. MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS

### 1. Change in Discharge

- a. Advance notice to the Division shall be given of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements. Any anticipated facility expansions, production increases, or process modifications must be reported by submission of a new NPDES permit application or, if such changes will not violate the effluent limitations specified in this permit, by notice to the Division of such changes. Following such notice, the permit may be modified to specify and limit any pollutants not previously limited.
- b. All existing manufacturing, commercial, mining, and silvicultural dischargers shall notify the Division as soon as it is known or there is reason to believe that any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in the discharge, on a routine or frequent basis, of any toxic pollutant not limited in the permit, if that discharge will exceed (i) 100  $\mu g/l$ , (ii) five times the maximum concentration reported for that pollutant in the permit application, or (iii) 200  $\mu g/l$  for acrolein and acrylonitrile, 500  $\mu g/l$  for 2,4 dinitrophenol and for 2-methyl-4-6-dinitrophenol, or l mg/l antimony.
- c. All existing manufacturing, commercial, mining, and silvicultural dischargers shall notify the Division as soon as it is known or there is reason to believe that any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in any discharge on a nonroutine or infrequent basis, of any toxic pollutant not limited in the permit, if that discharge will exceed (i) 500  $\mu \mathrm{g}/\mathrm{l}$ , (ii) ten times the maximum concentration reported for that pollutant in the permit application, or (iii) l mg/l antimony.

### 2. Noncompliance Notification

If, for any reason, the permittee does not comply with, or will be unable to comply with any effluent limitation specified in this permit, the permittee shall provide the Division with an oral report within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances followed by a written report within five (5) days of becoming aware of such condition. The written submission shall contain the following information:

a. A description of the discharge and cause of noncompliance;
 and

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b. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times; or, if not corrected, the anticipated time the noncompliance is expected to continue, and steps being taken to reduce, eliminate and prevent recurrence of the noncomplying discharge.

# 3. Facilities Operation

The permittee shall at all times maintain in good working order and operate as efficiently as possible all treatment or control facilities or systems installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance includes effective performance, adequate funding, adequate operator staffing and training, and adequate laboratory and process controls, including appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems only when necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit.

# Adverse Impact

The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge in violation of this permit which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment, including such accelerated or additional monitoring as necessary to determine the nature and impact of the noncomplying discharge.

# 5. Bypassing

- a. If the permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, it shall submit prior notice to the Division at least 10 days (if possible) before the date of the bypass. The permittee shall submit notice of any unanticipated bypass with an oral report within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances followed by a written report within five (5) days of becoming aware of such condition. The written submission shall contain the following information:
  - A description of the discharge and cause of noncompliance; and
  - The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times; or, if not corrected, the anticipated time the noncompliance is expected to continue, and steps being taken to reduce, eliminate and prevent recurrence of the noncomplying discharge.

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b. Any diversion from or bypass of facilities covered by this permit is prohibited, except (i) where unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage; (ii) there were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime (this condition is not satisfied if the permittee could have installed adequate back-up equipment to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance); and (iii) the permittee submitted a notice as required above. The permittee shall operate the treatment works, including the treatment plant and total sewer system, to minimize discharge of the pollutants listed in Part I of this permit from combined sewer overflows or bypasses. Upon written notification by the Division, the permittee may be required to submit a plan and schedule for reducing bypasses, overflows, and infiltration in the system.

# Sludge Disposal Requirements

Hazardous sludge shall be disposed of in accordance with the regulations and guidelines established by the Division pursuant to the Federal Clean Water Act (CWA) and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). For land application of nonhazardous sludge, the permittee shall comply with any applicable criteria outlined in the Division's "Guidelines for Land Application of Municipal Sludges." Prior to disposal of sludge by land application, the permittee shall submit a proposal to the Division for approval in accordance with applicable criteria in the Division's "Guidelines for Land Application of Municipal Sludges." Upon evaluation of the permittee's proposal, the Division may require that more stringent control of this activity is required. Upon written notification, the permittee shall submit to the Division for approval, a detailed plan of operation for land application of sludge. Upon approval, the plan will become a part of the NPDES permit. Disposal of nonhazardous sludge by other means, such as landfilling, must be approved by the Division.

# 7. Sludge Monitoring Requirements

The permittee shall develop and implement procedures to insure adequate year-round sludge disposal. The permittee shall monitor the volume and concentration of solids removed from the plant. Records shall be maintained which document the quantity of solids removed from the plant. The ultimate disposal of solids shall removed from the plant. The ultimate disposal of solids shall be reported monthly (in the unit of lbs/day) to the Division with the Operation Monitoring Report Forms required under Part I (C)(2) of this permit.

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### 8. Power Failures

Upon the reduction, loss, or failure of the primary source of power to said water pollution control facilities, the permittee shall use an alternative source of power if available to reduce or otherwise control production and/or all discharges in order to maintain compliance with the effluent limitations and prohibitions of this permit.

If such alternative power source is not in existence, and no date for its implementation appears in Part I, the permittee shall halt, reduce or otherwise control production and/or all discharges from wastewater control facilities upon the reduction, loss, or failure of the primary source of power to said wastewater control facilities.

# B. RESPONSIBILITIES

# Right of Entry

The permittee shall allow the Director of the Division, the Regional Administrator of EPA, and/or their authorized representatives, agents, or employees, upon the presentation of credentials:

- a. To enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated activity or facility is located or conducted or where any records are required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit; and
- b. At reasonable times, to have access to and copy any records required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit; to inspect any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit; and to sample any substance or parameters in any location.

# 2. Transfer of Ownership or Control

A permit may be transferred to another person by a permittee if:

- a. The permittee notifies the Director in writing of the proposed transfer at least thirty (30) days in advance of the proposed transfer;
- b. A written agreement containing a specific date for transfer of permit responsibility and coverage between the current and new permittee (including acknowledgement that the existing permittee is liable for violations up to that date, and that the new permittee is liable for violations from that date on) is submitted to the Director at least thirty (30) days in advance of the proposed transfer; and

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c. The Director, within thirty (30) days, does not notify the current permittee and the new permittee of the Division's intent to modify, revoke and reissue, or terminate the permit and to require that a new application be filed rather than agreeing to the transfer of the permit.

# 3. Availability of Reports

Except for data deemed to be confidential under O.C.G.A. § 12-5-26 or by the Regional Administrator of the EPA under the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40, Part 2, all reports prepared in accordance with the terms of this permit shall be available for public inspection at an office of the Division. Effluent data, permit applications, permittee's names and addresses, and permits shall not be considered confidential.

## 4. Permit Modification

After written notice and opportunity for a hearing, this permit may be modified, suspended, revoked or reissued in whole or in part during its term for cause including, but not limited to, the following:

- Violation of any conditions of this permit;
- Obtaining this permit by misrepresentation or failure to disclose fully all relevant facts;
- c. A change in any condition that requires either a temporary or permanent reduction or elimination of the permitted discharge; or
- d. To comply with any applicable effluent limitation issued pursuant to the order the United States District Court for the District of Columbia issued on June 8, 1976, in Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc. et.al. v. Russell E. Train, 8 ERC 2120(D.D.C. 1976), if the effluent limitation so issued:
  - (1) is different in conditions or more stringent than any effluent limitation in the permit; or
  - (2) controls any pollutant not limited in the permit.
- Toxic Pollutants and Best Available Technology Economically Achievable

The permittee shall comply with effluent standards or prohibitions established pursuant to Section 307(a) and Section 301(b)2 of the Federal Clean Water Act for pollutants, toxic and otherwise,

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which are present in the discharge within the time provided in the regulations that establish these standards or prohibitions, even if the permit has not yet been modified to incorporate the requirement.

# Civil and Criminal Liability

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to relieve the permittee from civil or criminal penalties for noncompliance.

### 7. State Laws

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties established pursuant to any applicable State law or regulation under authority preserved by Section 510 of the Federal Clean Water Act.

# 8. Water Quality Standards

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the modification of any condition of this permit when it is determined that the effluent limitations specified herein fail to achieve the applicable State water quality standards.

# 9. Property Rights

The issuance of this permit does not convey any property rights in either real or personal property, or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to private property or any invasion of personal rights, nor any infringement of Federal, State or local laws or regulations.

# 10. Expiration of Permit

Permittee shall not discharge after the expiration date. In order to receive authorization to discharge beyond the expiration date, the permittee shall submit such information, forms, and fees as are required by the agency authorized to issue permits no later than 180 days prior to the expiration date.

# 11. Contested Hearings

Any person who is aggrieved or adversely affected by an action of the Director of the Division shall petition the Director for a hearing within thirty (30) days of notice of such action.

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### 12. Severability

The provisions of this permit are severable, and if any provision of this permit, or the application of any provision of this permit to any circumstance, is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of this permit, shall not be affected thereby.

# 13. Best Management Practices

The permittee will implement best management practices to control the discharge of hazardous and/or toxic materials from ancillary manufacturing activities. Such activities include, but are not limited to, materials storage areas; in-plant transfer, process and material handling areas; loading and unloading operations; plant site runoff; and sludge and waste disposal areas.

# 14. Need to Halt or Reduce Activity Not a Defense

It shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit.

# 15. Duty to Provide Information

- a. The permittee shall furnish to the Director of the Division, within a reasonable time, any information which the Director may request to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking and reissuing, or terminating this permit or to determine compliance with this permit. The permittee shall also furnish upon request copies of records required to be kept by this permit.
- b. When the permittee becomes aware that it failed to submit any relevant facts in a permit application or submitted incorrect information in a permit application or any report to the Director, it shall promptly submit such facts and information.

### 16. Stormwater Runoff

In addition to the outfalls identified in Part I, Section A. of this permit, the permittee is authorized to discharge stormwater runoff from point sources at this facility provided that these discharges do not cause violations of State water quality standards in the receiving streams.

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# 17. Upset Provisions

Provisions of 40 CFR 122.41(n)(1)-(4), regarding "Upset" shall be applicable to any civil, criminal, or administrative proceeding brought to enforce this permit.

PART III

# A. PREVIOUS PERMITS

1. All previous State water quality permits issued to this facility, whether for construction or operation, are hereby revoked by the issuance of this permit. This action is taken to assure compliance with the Georgia Water Quality Control Act, as amended, and the Federal Clean Water Act, as amended. Receipt of the permit constitutes notice of such action. The conditions, requirements, terms tutes notice of such action. The conditions of this permit authorizing discharge under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System govern discharges from this facility.

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### B. SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- 1. There shall be no discharge of polychlorinated biphenyl compounds such as those commonly used for transformer fluid.
- 2. Any metal cleaning wastes generated will be contained for further treatment or disposal in a manner to permit compliance at time of discharge with requirements listed below. This applies to any preoperational chemical cleaning of metal process equipment also. The treatment and disposal procedures shall be discussed in the flow monitoring and characterization submittal.
- 3. The quantity of pollutants discharged in metal cleaning waste shall not exceed the quantity determined by multiplying the flow of metal cleaning wastes times the concentrations listed below. All effluent characteristics shall be monitored l/week by grab sampling when a discharge is occurring.

Effluent Characteristic	Discharge L	imitation (mg/1)
	Daily Average	Daily Maximum
Total suspended solids	30	100
Oil and grease	15	20
Copper	1.0	1.0
Iron	1.0	1.0

4. Neither free available chlorine (FAC) nor total residual chlorine (TRC) may be discharged from any unit for more than two hours in any one day and not more than one unit in any plant may discharge free available or total residual chlorine at any one time unless the utility can demonstrate to the Director that the units in a particular location cannot operate at or below this level of The permittee has demonstrated the need to chlorination. continuously chlorinate the service water system to control asiatic clams. The present intent is to chlorinate the service water periodically from April through October, five days per month for 24 hours per day at an initial level of 1.0 mg/1 FAC. Other months, longer durations, and lower FAC levels may be used. chlorination practice will result occasionally in the discharge of FAC or TRC from each cooling tower simultaneously and for more than 2 hours per day. The permittee must reduce the chlorine discharge if possible and has performed a study to determine the minimum practicable chlorine levels, frequencies, and duration of continuous chlorination for the service water system to adequately control asiatic clams. A plan of study with a schedule of activities has been submitted to the EPD September 11, 1989 and approved for implementation.

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- 5. In accordance with 40 CFR 423.11(k), the free available chlorine (FAC) average means the average over any individual chlorine release period of 2 hours per day per unit. The FAC maximum is the instantaneous maximum which may occur at any time. Further, the permittee will develop a system for monitoring and recording total time of FAC and TRC discharges. The results shall be reported in a suitably concise form beginning with the first scheduled Operation Monitoring Report (OMR) and continuing on each OMR thereafter.
- 6. In accordance with 40 CFR 423.13(d)(3), the permittee shall certify every two years in the flow characterization study that no priority pollutant other than chromium or zinc is above detectable limits in outfalls 01A, 04, 05, 06, and 07 (cooling tower blowdowns or overflows).
- 7. In the event that waste streams from various sources are combined for treatment or discharge, the quantity of each pollutant or pollutant property controlled by this permit shall not exceed the specified limitations for that source.
- 8. The Director may modify any effluent limitation upon request of the permittee if such limitation is covered by an approved variance or by an amendment to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.
- The permittee shall determine the flow of the various waste streams and submit this determination to the Director once every two years.
- 10. All sewage treatment plants (STP) must be properly operated and maintained. This applies to 02A Main STP, 02B Coal Handling STP, and 02C Unit 1 Temporary STP.
- 11. Every two years, the permittee shall review the water treatment chemicals other than chlorine discharged to State waters. This includes, but is not limited to microbiocides, corrosion inhibitors, and dispersants. These chemicals shall be used and disposed of in accordance with the manufacturers' instructions unless other requirements are imposed by EPD.
  - As part of the flow characterization study of Item 13. below, the permittee shall submit to EPD a current inventory of all chemicals discharged during the previous twenty-four months.
- 12. Forms other than Form WQ 1.45 may be used for the quarterly Operation Monitoring Report upon approval by the EPD.

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- 13. Summary of flow characterization study requirements from preceding pages:
  - a. Outfalls 04, and 05 stop log leakage flow and effluent characteristics.
  - b. Metal cleaning waste treatment and disposal procedures.
  - c. Flow determination of various waste streams.
  - d. Water treatment chemical inventory
  - e. Cooling tower blowdown priority pollutant certification per 40 CFR 423.13(d)(3).
- 14. After March 31, 1994, monitoring for those parameters listed in Part I.A.1 for outfalls 01 and 01D (I-pond and I-pond bottom drain) shall not be required, except during periods of emergency bypass from outfall 01E to the I-pond. Each of those parameters listed in Part I.A.1, except TRC, shall be monitored once per day for every day of emergency bypass and once per day for seven days following cessation of the emergency bypass. TRC shall be monitored three times per day of emergency bypass and three times per day for seven days following cessation of the emergency bypass for those days on which continuous service water chlorination occurs. The permittee shall submit notice of emergency bypass from outfall 01E as per the requirements of Part II.A.5. The results of emergency bypass monitoring may be submitted as per the routine reporting requirements of Part I.C.2.
- 15. If the results for a given sample are such that a parameter is not detected at or above the method detection limit, a value of zero will be reported for that sample and the detection limit will also be reported. Such sample shall be deemed to be in compliance with the permit limit. The following pollutants shall be analyzed to the method detection limit: Antimony not to exceed 50  $\mu g/l$ , Zinc not to exceed 20  $\mu g/l$ , Arsenic not to exceed 30  $\mu g/l$ , Selenium not to exceed 40  $\mu g/l$ , Methylene Chloride not to exceed 10  $\mu g/l$ , 1,1 Dichloroethylene not to exceed 2.0  $\mu g/l$ . The permit shall be reopened if technology advances to improve the method detection limit.

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C. BIOMONITORING AND TOXICITY REDUCTION REQUIREMENTS

In order to determine whether the permittee is discharging wastes in concentrations or combinations which may have an adverse impact on the State's water quality, the Division can require the permittee to conduct a biomonitoring program.

If toxicity is believed to be present in the permittee's effluent, the Division may require the permittee to develop a biomonitoring screening program according to the following schedule:

 Within 90 days of Division notification a screening program study plan detailing the test methodology and test organisms shall be submitted for conducting a forty-eight hour static acute test of the final effluent.

Note: If residual chlorine is present in the final effluent from a treatment and/or disinfection process, a prechlorinated or dechlorinated sample will be tested.

 Within 90 days of Division approval of the study plan, the permittee shall conduct and submit the results of the forty-eight hour static acute test.

The Division will then review the results of the forty-eight hour static acute test. If the test criteria specified in the study plan are exceeded, then the permittee shall within 90 days of written notification by the Division repeat steps 1. and 2. above replacing the forty-eight hour static acute test with the ninety-six hour test.

The Division will then review the results of the ninety-six hour test. If the criteria\* detailed in the ninety-six hour test indicates toxicity, then the permittee shall within 90 days of written notification by the Division submit to the Division a plan to reduce the toxicity of the effluent. Within 270 days of Division approval of this plan, the permittee shall implement the plan and initiate follow-up biomonitoring of the effluent in accordance with the approved toxicity reduction plan. The toxicity reduction plan shall not be complete until the permittee meets the criteria detailed in the ninety-six hour test plan.

If there are substantial composition changes in the permittee's effluent, the permittee may be required to repeat the forty-eight hour static acute test upon notification by the Division. Unless otherwise advised, the permittee shall perform biomonitoring of

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the effluent as provided in C. l. and 2. above, at a minimum of once every three years upon notification by the Division. On a case specific basis, chronic toxicity testing procedures may be required. Upon approval by the Division, all of the plans will become part of the requirements of this permit.

\*The 96 hour criteria shall define toxicity as a greater than 10% mortality of the exposed test organisms in 96 hours or less when the test solution contains volumes of effluent and dilution water proportional to the plant daily average flow and the 7Q10 flow of the receiving stream, as determined using test procedures and methods, and statistical methods for evaluating test results, developed by the permittee and approved by the Division pursuant to this section or revised pursuant to Part III. B.17. above.